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FM AMEMBASSY KUALA LUMPUR

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INFO AMEMBASSY ABIDJAN

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AMEMBASSY RABAT

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USUN NEW YORK 545

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S E C R E T KUALA LUMPUR 2320

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SUBJ: KOREA AND NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE (NAC)

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1. KOREAN CHARGE CALLED ON DCM APRIL 29 TO DISCUSS
PROBLEM OF KOREAN MEMBERSHIP IN NAC. AFTER ELABORATE
EXPOSITION OF KOREAN SITUATION, CHARGE SAID THAT HE
HAD TOLD GOM (SENIOR OFFICIALS AT MFA) THAT ROK
PREFERENCE WAS THAT NEITHER NORTH KOREA NOR ROK JOIN
NAC, BUT THAT IF NORTH KOREA WERE ADMITTED TO NAC,
ROK SHOULD ALSO BE ADMITTED. GOM AGREED THAT BEST
SOLUTION WAS THAT NEITHER JOIN AND NAC "REMAIN NEUTRAL."
IT WOULD NOT TAKE IMMEDIATE POSITION, HOWEVER, ON ROK FALL-
BACK BUT "UNDERTOOK TO EXPLORE ATTITUDES OF
OTHER NON-ALIGNS IN NEW YORK", NOTING THAT MALAYSIA'S
FOREIGN POLICY INTERESTS REQUIRED THAT IT AVOID

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CONFRONTATION WITHIN NAC.

2. DCM TOLD CHARGE THAT WE HAD INSTRUCTIONS TO
SUPPORT ROK IN NAC PROBLEM BY QUIET APPROACHES
WHEN THAT COULD BE HELPFUL. HE REMINDED CHARGE
THAT OVERT U.S. IDENTIFICATION WITH A SPECIFIC
COURSE OF ACTION COULD CONCEIVABLY CREATE BACKLASH.
CHARGE SAID THAT HIS IMMEDIATE INSTRUCTIONS WERE
ONLY TO STAY IN TOUCH WITH U.S. EMBASSY AND THAT
FOR THE MOMENT HE PREFERRED THAT WE DO NOTHING.
HIS AMBASSADOR WOULD BE RETURNING COMING WEEKEND
WITH THE "LATEST THINKING" FROM SEOUL AND HE WOULD
BE IN TOUCH WITH US DURING FOLLOWING WEEK ABOUT HOW
WE COULD BE HELPFUL.
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